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	Application No.	Applicant(s)
Interview Summary	10/812,468	GANO ET AL.
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	George Suchfield	3676
All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO	personnel):	
(1) George Suchfield.	(3)	
(2) Marlin R. Smith.	(4)	
Date of Interview: 24 August 2006.		
Type: a)⊠ Telephonic b)□ Video Conference c)□ Personal [copy given to: 1)□ applicant 2	2) applicant's representative	e]
Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d)⊠ Yes If Yes, brief description: Copy of After Final response, t	e)⊡ No. <u>itled "RESPONSE", mailed</u> a	nd/or forthcoming.
Claim(s) discussed: <u>14-43</u> .		
Identification of prior art discussed: None.		
Agreement with respect to the claims f)⊠ was reached. g)□ was not reached. h)□ t	N/A.
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Summary of Record of Interview Requirements

Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP), Section 713.04, Substance of Interview Must be Made of Record

A complete written statement as to the substance of any face-to-face, video conference, or telephone interview with regard to an application must be made of record in the application whether or not an agreement with the examiner was reached at the interview.

Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 1.133 Interviews Paragraph (b)

In every instance where reconsideration is requested in view of an interview with an examiner, a complete written statement of the reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action must be filed by the applicant. An interview does not remove the necessity for reply to Office action as specified in §§ 1.111, 1.135. (35 U.S.C. 132)

37 CFR §1.2 Business to be transacted in writing.

All business with the Patent or Trademark Office should be transacted in writing. The personal attendance of applicants or their attorneys or agents at the Patent and Trademark Office is unnecessary. The action of the Patent and Trademark Office will be based exclusively on the written record in the Office. No attention will be paid to any alleged oral promise, stipulation, or understanding in relation to which there is disagreement or doubt.

The action of the Patent and Trademark Office cannot be based exclusively on the written record in the Office if that record is itself incomplete through the failure to record the substance of interviews.

It is the responsibility of the applicant or the attorney or agent to make the substance of an interview of record in the application file, unless the examiner indicates he or she will do so. It is the examiner's responsibility to see that such a record is made and to correct material inaccuracies which bear directly on the question of patentability.

Examiners must complete an Interview Summary Form for each interview held where a matter of substance has been discussed during the interview by checking the appropriate boxes and filling in the blanks. Discussions regarding only procedural matters, directed solely to restriction requirements for which interview recordation is otherwise provided for in Section 812.01 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, or pointing out typographical errors or unreadable script in Office actions or the like, are excluded from the interview recordation procedures below. Where the substance of an interview is completely recorded in an Examiners Amendment, no separate Interview Summary Record is required.

The Interview Summary Form shall be given an appropriate Paper No., placed in the right hand portion of the file, and listed on the "Contents" section of the file wrapper. In a personal interview, a duplicate of the Form is given to the applicant (or attorney or agent) at the conclusion of the interview. In the case of a telephone or video-conference interview, the copy is mailed to the applicant's correspondence address either with or prior to the next official communication. If additional correspondence from the examiner is not likely before an allowance or if other circumstances dictate, the Form should be mailed promptly after the interview rather than with the next official communication.

The Form provides for recordation of the following information:

- Application Number (Series Code and Serial Number)
- Name of applicant
- Name of examiner
- Date of interview
- Type of interview (telephonic, video-conference, or personal)
- Name of participant(s) (applicant, attorney or agent, examiner, other PTO personnel, etc.)
- An indication whether or not an exhibit was shown or a demonstration conducted
- An identification of the specific prior art discussed
- An indication whether an agreement was reached and if so, a description of the general nature of the agreement (may be by attachment of a copy of amendments or claims agreed as being allowable). Note: Agreement as to allowability is tentative and does not restrict further action by the examiner to the contrary.
- The signature of the examiner who conducted the interview (if Form is not an attachment to a signed Office action)

It is desirable that the examiner orally remind the applicant of his or her obligation to record the substance of the interview of each case. It should be noted, however, that the Interview Summary Form will not normally be considered a complete and proper recordation of the interview unless it includes, or is supplemented by the applicant or the examiner to include, all of the applicable items required below concerning the substance of the interview.

A complete and proper recordation of the substance of any interview should include at least the following applicable items:

- 1) A brief description of the nature of any exhibit shown or any demonstration conducted,
- 2) an identification of the claims discussed,
- 3) an identification of the specific prior art discussed,
- 4) an identification of the principal proposed amendments of a substantive nature discussed, unless these are already described on the Interview Summary Form completed by the Examiner,
- 5) a brief identification of the general thrust of the principal arguments presented to the examiner,
 - (The identification of arguments need not be lengthy or elaborate. A verbatim or highly detailed description of the arguments is not required. The identification of the arguments is sufficient if the general nature or thrust of the principal arguments made to the examiner can be understood in the context of the application file. Of course, the applicant may desire to emphasize and fully describe those arguments which he or she feels were or might be persuasive to the examiner.)
- 6) a general indication of any other pertinent matters discussed, and
- 7) if appropriate, the general results or outcome of the interview unless already described in the Interview Summary Form completed by the examiner.

Examiners are expected to carefully review the applicant's record of the substance of an interview. If the record is not complete and accurate, the examiner will give the applicant an extendable one month time period to correct the record.

Examiner to Check for Accuracy

If the claims are allowable for other reasons of record, the examiner should send a letter setting forth the examiner's version of the statement attributed to him or her. If the record is complete and accurate, the examiner should place the indication, "Interview Record OK" on the paper recording the substance of the interview along with the date and the examiner's initials.

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's attorney advised that an AF response had been mailed on August 14, 2006, of which a copy was provided to the examiner via FAX for review. It was agreed that the missing first page of the original reissue declaration, now provided by the AF response, overcame all the objections set forth against the declaration in the previous Office action. Applicant's attorney noted that a supplemental reissue declaration was being filed, as well. It was then agreed that the said After Final response, upon entry in the application, would place the application in condition for allowance. It was further noted, however, that the present application is a divisional of a previous reissue application. Thus, applicant will be given a two-month period within which to either include the allowed claims into the previous reissue application, i.e., SN 10/367,619 while expressly abandoning the present reissue application, or permit the present reissue application to pass for issue.

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Attorney Docket No.: 970194U1D1R1D2USA

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

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Serial No.:

10/812,468

Filed:

March 30, 2004

Entitled:

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Group Art Unit:

3676

Examiner:

G. Suchfield

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

This is filed in response to the Office Action dated July 20, 2006.

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REMARKS

Regarding the objections to the declaration, and the rejections of claims 14-43 under 35 USC 251 and 37 CFR 1.175, please note that the present application is a division of a prior reissue application having serial no. 10/367,619. As such, the declaration filed in this divisional application was a copy of the declaration filed in the parent reissue application. It appears from the objections and rejections that the Patent Office still has not received the first page of the declaration filed in the parent reissue application. Accompanying this Response is a copy of the complete parent reissue application declaration. It will be seen that each of the objections to the declaration is cured by the statements contained on the first page of the declaration.

Also accompanying this Response are three supplemental declarations signed by the applicants (other than James R. Longbottom). The supplemental declarations state that every error in the patent which was corrected in the present reissue application, and which is not covered by the prior declaration submitted in the application, arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant. Thus, the supplemental declarations identify the errors which are being corrected in this divisional reissue application.

The examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in claims 14-43 is noted with appreciation. In light of the foregoing remarks and enclosed declarations, a Notice of Allowance of claims 14-43 is earnestly solicited.

To ensure that all of the requirements for this divisional reissue application have now been satisfied, the undersigned attorney for applicants would like to take this opportunity to request an interview with the examiner following the filing of this Response. Such interviews between this attorney and examiner in the past have been very productive and have tended to expedite the prosecution of applications. In addition, if the examiner wishes to interview this attorney, a call is welcomed at any time.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: August 9, 2006

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SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION FOR REISSUE PATENT APPLICATION TO CORRECT "ERRORS" STATEMENT (37 CFR 1.175)

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that: My residence, mailing address and citizenship are stated below next to I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is lis joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter whim patent number 6,189,616,granted February 20, 200	sted below) or an original, first and nich is described and claimed
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